



Activist	A person who takes direct, often confrontational, action to support or
	oppose a cause.
Additive Mortality	Harvests that exceed natural mortality and reduce an animal's population.
Aesthetic	Concerning the appreciation of beauty.
AFWA	Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.
Animal Rights	The belief that animals should have the same "rights" as humans.
Apathetic	Indifference, lacking interest or concern.
Asphyxiate	Death caused from lack of oxygen.
Bag Limit	Number of animals legally allowed to be taken in a day or a season.
Best Management	The use of recommended equipment and techniques as determined by
Practices	experts in an activity.
Biological Carrying	The number of animals a given area of habitat is capable of supporting
Capacity	throughout the year.
Blue Pelt	An unprimed pelt. When dried, shows dark blue or black on the skin side.
BMP	Short for Best Management Practice.
Body-Gripping Trap	A trap designed to close on an animal's body and quickly kill it.
Cable Device	A device designed to capture a furbearer by use of a multi-strand steel
	cable.
Cable Restraint	A cable device designed to hold an animal alive.
Cable Stake	An earth anchor attached to a cable and driven into the ground used to
	secure a trap without using a stake.
Cage Trap	A trap designed to enclose an animal and hold it alive.
Carnivore	An animal that eats other animals.
Cased Pelt	A pelt skinned by cutting along the hind legs and pulled down over the
Oddod i cit	body.
Castor	An odorous, glandular substance obtained from beaver, used in lures
	and perfume.
Catchpole	A slip-noose on a rigid handle used to hold an animal while releasing it.
Colony Trap	A wire mesh kill-type trap used in runways underwater for mink and
	muskrats, capable of catching multiple animals.
Conservation	The careful guarding of an asset. Conservation allows for the use of
	resources within limits.
Cotton Mink	A mink pelt with white underfur.
Cultural	The total product of human creativity and intellect.
Cultural Carrying	The number of animals that humans will accept in a given area. When
Capacity	people want to reduce animal populations that are otherwise within the
Сараску	biological carrying capacity for the area, biologists may need to reduce
	the population until people find it acceptable.
Deadfall	A primitive device designed to kill an animal with a falling log or rock,
Deaulaii	commonly used before the manufacture of modern traps. Deadfalls are
Dienatch	not legal in most areas.
Dispatch	To kill an animal without delay in a humane manner.
Drowning Device	Properly called a submersion device. A trap chain is attached to a slide
	lock on a wire leading to deep water. A trapped animal can go into
Faalaan	deeper water, but not return, leading to a quick kill.
Ecology	The science of relationships between organisms and their environment.





Ecosystem	A community of plants, animals, and microorganisms linked by energy
	and nutrient flows that interact with each other and with the physical
	environment.
Efficiency	Skillfulness in avoiding wasted time and energy.
Endangered Species	A species whose numbers are so small that it is in danger of extinction.
Ermine	White color phase of the weasel as seen during winter.
Ethics	A person's personal code of behavior, moral values, and principles.
Excise Tax	A tax that is measured by the amount of business done.
Extinction	No longer in existence. Total extermination.
Extirpation	Elimination of a species within a range or boundary, such as a state,
	where it once existed.
Fleshing	Removing fat and meat from a pelt.
Fleshing Beam	Wooden or fiberglass form to hold and support a pelt while removing
	the fat and meat left after skinning.
Foothold Trap	A trap designed to hold an animal by the foot. May be used to hold
l comora map	animals alive, or to kill them in submersion sets.
Fur Stretcher	A frame that holds a pelt in a standard shape while drying.
Green Pelt	A pelt that has not been stretched or dried.
Guard Hairs	Long, glossy hairs that overlap and protect the soft, dense underfur.
Guarded Trap	A foothold trap with a spring device that pins the animal and prevents it
Guarded Trap	from twisting or pulling free.
Habitat	A place that provides all the food, water, shelter, and space an animal
Tiabitat	needs to live.
Herbivore	
	An animal that normally feeds on plants.
Heritage	Practices handed down from the past by tradition.
Home Range	The area where an animal lives or travels day to day.
Hypothermia	A serious health risk that involves the loss of body heat.
IAFWA	International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies; now called
To a 12 d	Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.
Lap Link	A metal ring attaching a trap to a stake. It allows the chain to rotate
	around the stake.
Live-Restraining	A trap or device designed to hold an animal without killing it.
Lyme Disease	A disease transmitted to humans by certain ticks.
Maceration	Softening of a solid by soaking in a liquid.
Nocturnal	Active at night.
Non-Powered Cable	A trap using multi-strand steel cable that closes when an animal passes
Device	through it without the aid of a spring or other powering device.
Omnivore	An animal that eats both plants and animals.
Open Pelt	A pelt skinned by cutting down the midline of the belly.
Pan Cover	A piece of canvas, cloth, wax paper, or other material used to cover a
	trap pan and prevent soil from getting underneath it.
Pan Tension	The amount of force, measured in weight, that it takes to trip a trap pan.
Pan Throw	The distance a trap pan must move before the trap is sprung.
Parasite	A plant or animal that lives in or on a host, and derives nourishment
	from the host.
Pelage	An animal's hair or fur.
Pelt	An animal's skin and fur after it has been taken off the body.
Poaching	Killing protected animals, or killing animals out of season or by unlawful
	means.





Powered Cable Device	A trap using multi-strand steel cable designed to catch and hold an animal with the aid of a powering device, such as springs.
Preservation	Protecting something from loss or danger. Implies very little or no use of
Prime Pelt	a wildlife resource.
Privilege	A desirable pelt with the winter fur grown in and mature hair follicles. A special advantage or benefit not enjoyed by all.
Protected Species	A species that may not harmed or killed. Eagles, hawks, and owls, for example, are protected species.
Rabies	A serious animal disease that can be transmitted to humans, primarily by saliva from infected animals.
Rare Species	A species that is very uncommon, even in its favored habitat.
Raw Fur	A pelt that has not been tanned or salted.
Responsibility	An obligation. The social force that binds you to your obligations and
· ·	the courses of action demanded by that force.
Right	An abstract idea of something that is due to a person by law, tradition, or nature. Rights cannot be taken away.
Rubbed Fur	Parts of a pelt where fur is damaged by animal rubbing it on dens, roots, or other objects.
Safety Gripper	A device used to hold a body-gripping trap in the set position while it is being handled by a trapper.
Scats	Animal droppings or feces.
Scavenger	An animal that feeds on dead animals instead of killing its own food.
Selectivity	Tendency for a trap or a trap set to target a single species.
Set (Trap Set)	The area where a trap has been set along with other preparations made by the trapper.
S-Hook	A device for attaching a trap chain to a stake, allowing the chain to rotate around the stake.
Singed Fur	Metallic sheen on otter fur caused by curled tips of the guard hairs. This damage can occur from excessive dry heat, direct sunlight, stroking dry fur, contact with freezing metal, or by the otter itself during the late season.
Snare	A restraining device made from a cable and a locking mechanism.
Social Carrying Capacity	The number of animals people will tolerate in a given area.
Species	A group of like animals capable of interbreeding.
Submarine Trap	A "cage" type trap that is set underwater in a channel or in front of a den for muskrat, mink, or otter.
Submersion Set	A trap attached to a slide wire, or one where a tangle stake is used, designed to cause a furbearer to asphyxiate underwater. Sometimes called a "drowning" set.
Subsistence	A means of surviving.
Sustainable	Capable of being maintained indefinitely.
Swivel	A device used at the ends and/or middle of a trap chain to reduce injury to a trapped animal.
Tanning	Treating a hide to make it into leather.
Territory	The part of an animal's home range that it will defend from other animals of the same species.





Threatened Species	A species that is rare and declining, and likely to become an endangered species in the foreseeable future through most or all of its range.
Trap Bed	A hole or depression dug in the ground where a trap is placed.
Trap Hook	A pole with a hook at one end to help find and recover traps from water. Often used as a wading stick.
Trapline	All of the traps and sets in use at a given time by a single trapper.
Tularemia	A bacterial disease of rabbits and rodents that can be transmitted to humans through cuts or scratches while skinning infected animals.
Underfur	Soft, dense fibers lying below the guard hairs. Provides primary insulation for the animal.
Utilitarian	Someone who believes that a value of a thing or animal depends on its usefulness.
Welfare	Something that aids or promotes well-being.